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In re Application of)	<u>PATENT APPLICATION</u>
Inventor: Hirohiko Nishiki)	September 10, 2003
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Title: STRUCTURE AND METHOD FOR SUPPORTING A FLEXIBLE SUBSTRATE)	Examiner: Ahmed N. Sefer

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This communication responds to an Office Action dated August 13, 2003 in the above-identified patent application.

In the Office Action the Examiner requires restriction to one of the following inventions:

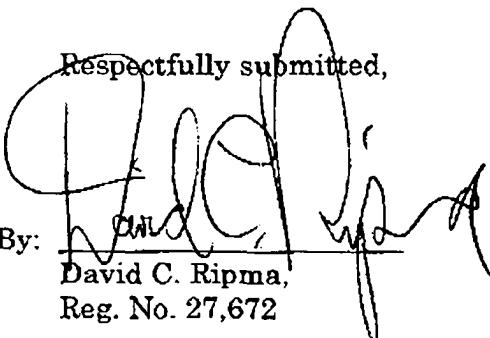
Group I. Claims 20-31, drawn to a device; and

Group II. Claims 1-19, drawn to a method.

Applicants hereby elect to pursue the Group II claims, claims 1-

19.

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